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DEPT PASS TO M/MO, NEA/EX AND NEA/ARP

FROM THE AMBASSADOR

E.O. 11652: N/A
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SUBJECT: PROPOSED ESTABLISHMENT OF NEW USIS AMERICANPOSITION

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1. I BELIEVE A SECOND USIS POSITION IN UAE IS JUSTIFIED IF USIS ABU DHABI IS TO CONTINUE COVERING BOTH THE EMIRATES AND OMAN. OUR PROBLEM, AS WE HAVE REPEATEDLY POINTED OUT TO DEPARTMENT OF STATE, RELATES TO LIMITED ADMINISTRATIVE RESOURCES OF THIS SMALL EMBASSY. DESPITE FACT THAT USIS DOES MUCH OF ITS OWN ADMIN WORK, THE ASSIGNMENT OF ADDITIONAL USIS OFFICER WOULD NONETHELESS PUT ADDITIONAL LOAD ON ADMIN SECTION.

2. WHILE I WOULD FEEL EASIER IF ASSIGNMENT OF SECOND USIS OFFICER WERE DELAYED UNTIL WE HAVE CLEARER IDEA OF WHAT RESOURCES DEPT IS WILLING TO GIVE EMBASSY ADMIN SECTION. AN ACCEPTABLE ALTERNATIVE WOUULD BE TO PLACE SECOND USIS OFFICER IN DUBAI BRANCH OFFICE. HE WOULD BE ABLE TO TAKE OVER OFFICE SPACE VACATED LAST MARCH BY REMOVAL OF SECOND OFFICER ASSIGNED TO BRANCH OFFICE. APARTMENT OCCUPIED BY THAT OFFICER IS LOCATED IN SAME BUILDING AS BRANCH OFFICE. LEASE FOR APARTMENT EXPIRES
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IN OCTOBER BUT BELIEVE IT CAN BE RENEWED IF WE MOVE PROMPTLY.

3. WERE SECOND USIS OFFICER LOCATED IN ABU DHABI, WE WOULD HAVE TROUBLE FINDING SPACE FOR HIM IN OUR VERY CRAMPED QUARTERS. HE WOULD BE PLACED IN SMALL ROOM NOW USED TO STORE PAPER FOR WIRELESS FILE AND WE WOULD HAVE TO LOCATE

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SUITABLE HOUSING WHICH IS TIME-CONSUMING CHORE IN THIS TIGHT
AND VERY EXPENSIVE HOUSING MARKET. ASSIGNMENT OF SECOND USIS
OFFICER IN DUBAI WOULD ALSO HAVE ADVANTAGE OF HIS BEING
(A) PHYSICALLY IN NORTHERN EMIRATES WHERE USIS ACTIVITIES
SHOULD BE EXPANDED; (B) SOMEWHAT CLOSER TO OMAN; (C) AMOST
NEXT DOOR TO PROPOSED "AMERICAN" UNIVERSITY OF SHARJA; AND (D)
BACKUP FOR COMMERCIAL, AND HOPEFULLY TO A LIMITED EXTENT,
FOR CONSULAR OPERATIONS OF OUR DUBAI BRANCH OFFICE NOW MANAGED
BY A SINGLE OFFICER.

4. SINCE PAO JAIFEH IS CURRENTLY ON LEAVE IN US, I HAVE NOT
HAD OPPORTUNITY TO REVIEW IDEA OF PLACING SECOND USIS OFFICER
IN DUBAI AND USIA MAY WISH TO DO SO. PLEASE LET ME KNOW OF
USIA REACTION TO THIS PROPOSED ALTERNATIVE.
DICKMAN

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